

QUARTERLY EVENTS CALENDAR

OCTOBER - NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

ONGOING EVENTS

Every Mon.-Group Fiddle Lessons-AI Berard. Arnaudville. Tom's Fiddle & Bow, 204 Fuselier Rd,(337) 754-5528.

Every Tues-Sat-Eunice Depot Museum. Eunice. 220 S. CC Duson St. Now includes *Cajun Mardi Gras Exhibit*. Also, learn about the history of Eunice. 9AM0in. Free. (337) 457-6540.

Tues., Thurs. & Sat.-Farmer's Market. Opelousas. 828 E. Landry St. (Pavilion by Mikey's Doughnuts). Garden veggies, fruits, jellies & more! Tues, Thurs & Sat 7-11 AM. Sponsored by St. Landry Farmer's Assn. 337-948-0561.

First Tues.-Zydeco Dance Class for Beginners. Opelousas. North City Park Community Center at the north end of Market St. Learn to zydeco. No partner needed. 6pm0in. Free. (337) 948-0561 or zydeglo@gmail.com.

Every Wed. - Joe Hall Accordion Class. Arnaudville. Women of Culture Boutique & Hair, 1595 Courtableau St. 4 classes for \$45, Pre-registration required, Contact (337)754-7400, <http://frederickarts.homestead.com>.

Last Wed. of Each Month -La Table Francaise. (Oct. 27, Nov. 24, Dec .29). Opelousas, Le Vieux Village, 828 East Landry, (Whiteville School House located in Le Vieux Village) 7:30am-8:30am. Grab a cup of coffee and share conversation and fun with other French speakers. (337) 948-5227.

Wed. & Sat. - Farmer's Market, Eunice. Corner of 2nd St. & Park St. Garden veggies, fruits, jellies & more! Wed. 3pm - until, Sat. 10am-until (337) 457-7389.

Every Fri-Sun-The Sunset Market & Auction House. Sunset. 151 B. Leo Richard Road. Garden vegetables & home-made products. Vendor space still available! Fri 1-6PM, Sat 8-4PM, Sun 12-4PM. (337) 212-2091.

Every Fri-Sun-The Town of Washington-Antique shops including the Old Schoolhouse Antique Mall open throughout the city. For additional information www.townofwashingtonla.org or (337) 826-3627, (337) 826-3626.

Every Sat-Savoy Music Jam . Eunice. 4413 Hwy. 190 E. 9AM0in. Free. Bring your instrument. (337) 457-9563.

Every Sat-The Jean Lafitte Prairie Acadian Culture Center. Eunice. 250 West Park Ave. Music Program at 3pm and Cooking Demonstration at 4pm. (337) 457-8499.

Last Sat. of the Month (Oct. 30, Nov. 27) - La Table Francaise Chez NuNu. Arnaudville. Steeple Vue Gallery, 149 Fuselier St. Sponsored by Frederick l'Ecole des Arts. Join us for petit déjeuner on the last Saturday of every month from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Free and open to the public. Call Project Director, Mavis Arnaud Frugé should you have any questions at (337) 754-7724 or (337) 298-7998.

First Sun. of the Month (Oct. 3, Nov. 7, Dec. 5)-Jam Session at Tom's Fiddles. Arnaudville. 204 Fuselier Rd. 10in. An *organic* jam that provides a platform for musical artists. Food & iced tea served by donation. (337) 754-5528.

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Thur., Fri., Sat. Sun., (thru Dec. 19)-Live Quarter Horse Racing @ Evangeline Downs Racetrack & Casino. Opelousas. 2235 Creswell Lane Ext. Thurs-Sun-post time 12:30PM. (337) 594-3000.

Oct. 1-Opelousas Fall Music & Market featuring Paul Daigle & Cajun Gold (Cajun). Opelousas. Held at the St. Landry Parish Courthouse Square, Court St. Between W. Landry & Bellevue Streets. 5:30pm-Dedication of the new Cajun Mural. Live music 6-8:30PM. Free. No ice chests please. Refreshments sold. Featured vegetable-squash.(337) 948-6263 or www.cityofopelousas.com.

Oct. 1-The Day the Music Died: The official tribute to Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens, and The Big Bopper. Opelousas. Evangeline Downs Event Center. 2235 Creswell Lane Ext. Doors open at 7:30pm. Show starts at 8pm. (337) 594-3000 or www.evangelinedowns.com.

Oct. 2 - Oct. 30 (Sat.) -"Rendez-Vous des Cajuns" Live Radio and TV Show. Eunice.

Liberty Theater, 200 W. Park Ave. Cajun & Zydeco bands perform live in a Cajun-style "Grand Ole Opry" show from 6-7:30 PM.

Oct. 2-Corey "Lil' Pop" Ledet and His Zydeco Band; 2nd Band TBA **Oct. 9**-Robert Jardell & Pure Cajun **Oct. 16**-Lakeside Gamblers Trio; 2nd Band TBA **Oct. 23** - Black Pot Festival Preview with the Red Stick Ramblers and Speical Guests **Oct. 30**-Bands TBA.

Adults \$5, under 12 \$3. (337) 457-7389 or www.eunice-la.com.

Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30-Live Music at the Courtyard. Eunice. Nick's on 2nd, 123 S. 2nd St. 337-457-4921.

Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30-Old Fashioned Fais-do-do Barn Dance at Lakeview RV Park. Eunice. 1717 Veteran Memorial Hwy. Doors open at 7:00. Music starts at 8:00pm. Must be 18 to enter. Admission fee. www.lvpark.com. (337) 457-2881.

Oct. 3, 5, 6-10-Eunice Players Theatre presents the Pulitzer Prize winning 1964 drama, *The Subject Was Roses* written by Frank D. Gilroy. Eunice. 121 S. Second St. Tickets-\$10. Nov. 7:00PM, Sunday performance at 2pm. Dinner Theatre at Nick's on Second with performance to follow is Oct. 5th at 6:00pm. Call 337-457-2156 or 337-546-0163 for tickets or euniceplayers.blogspot.com. Directed by Gabe Ortego. (337) 457-2156.

Oct. 6-Zydeco Dance Class for Beginners. Opelousas. North City Park Community Center at the north end of Market St. For beginners - Learn to zydeco. No partner needed. Takes place the 1st Tuesday of each month. 6pm-8pm. Free. Contact 337-948-0561 or zydeglo@gmail.com.

Oct. 8-Opelousas Fall Music & Market featuring Goldman Thibodeaux & the Lawtell Playboys (Creole). Opelousas. Farmers Market Pavilion, Vine & Landry Streets. Begins at 5:30pm with cooking demos for cabbage. Live music from 6-8:30PM. Free. No ice chests please. Refreshments sold. (337) 948-6263 or www.cityofopelousas.com.

Oct. 8-10-The 19th Semi-Annual Washington Old Schoolhouse Antique Mall Fair & Yard Sale. Washington. 210 Church St. Over six acres and 200 antique dealers from across the country. Enjoy the local café. 9AM-5PM each day. Free. (337) 826-3580 or www.oldschoolhouseantiquemall.com.

Oct. 9-10 & 16-17-Voices from Our Past-St. Landry Catholic Church Cemetery Tours-Cultural Gumbo. Opelousas. St. Landry Catholic Church Cemetery, North Union St. From its beginnings as a Spanish Fort to the city of today, Opelousas has beckoned people from all ethnic groups to be part of its colorful history. Travel back in time as members of the Opelousas Little Theatre bring to life those who left their mark on the development of Opelousas & St. Landry Parish. Sat.-6PM, 7PM & 8PM, Sun.-2PM & 3PM. Tickets \$10. *Not handicapped accessible or suitable for children 10 & under.* Proceeds used to fund cemetery restoration. Groups 20+ contact (337) 942-6552 / 942-8318.

Oct. 15-Opelousas Fall Music & Market featuring Jeffery Broussard & the Creole Cowboys (Zydeco). Opelousas Held at the St. Landry Parish Courthouse Square, Court St. Between W. Landry & Bellevue Streets. Begins at 5:30pm with cooking demos for mustard greens. This event will also feature Sidewalk Astronomy Viewing. Live music from 6-8:30PM. Free. No ice chests please. Refreshments sold. (337) 948-6263 or www.cityofopelousas.com.

Oct. 16-Seven Mile Yard Sale. Along Hwy 93 from Arnaudville to Grand Coteau. Something for everyone! Great treasures, antiques, collectibles and food. Free admission. (\$25 fee for vendor spot) Rain or Shine-7AM-10AM. For additional information please contact (337) 754-5316.

Oct. 16-St. Hubert's Benevolent Society-10th Annual Squirrel Cook-off. **Washington.** Willie's Campground, Hwy. 10 N. Live music, BB shooting contest (ages 5-15), an auction, fun jumps, a competitive squirrel cook-off starting at 10AM with judging at 3PM. 10AM-until. Free Admission-donations welcome! (337) 948-4362.

Oct. 18-LSUE Performing Arts Fall Series presents *Brian Sivils as Gov. Jimmie Davis.* Eunice. LSUE Health Tech. Auditorium, LSUE Dr. Musical performance including vocals, guitars, percussion and a presentation that includes animated text outline covering the "singing" Governor. 6:30PM. Tickets purchased at the door. Adults-\$3 & Students & children under 12 are free. (337) 457-1510.

Oct. 22-Opelousas Fall Music & Market featuring Warren Storm, Willie Tee & Cypress (Swamp Pop). Opelousas. Farmers Market Pavilion, Vine & Landry Streets. Begins at 5:30pm with cooking demos for pumpkin. Live music from 6-8:30PM. Free. No ice chests please. Refreshments sold. (337) 948-6263 or www.cityofopelousas.com.

Oct. 25-Soirée Royale-A Very Royal Culinary Affair. Opelousas. Evangeline Downs Event Center, 2235 Creswell Lane Ext. A royal affair fit for a king, serving as the official kick-off for the Louisiana Yambilee Festival! Some of Acadiana's finest chefs prepare some of their signature dishes! A live auction for sweet potatoes will also be held. 6:30-9:30PM-cash bar & tasting. \$40. Sponsored by the Opelousas/St. Landry Chamber of Commerce. Tickets can be purchased at the Chamber (337) 942-2683 or www.tickets.evangelinedowns.com.

Oct 26-Film: *Finding Joy.* Grand Coteau. Casa Azul, 232 M.L. Kind Dr. The showing of this Australian film will be followed by a skype discussion with the directors! (337) 662-1032 or <http://casaazul.homestead.com>.

Oct. 27-Nov. 17 (Wednesdays)-Continuing Education Course: Memoir Writing. **Eunice.** LSU Eunice. Science Building Room 141. 2048 Johnson Highway. If you think you're losing your memory, you're not. This class on memoir writing will prove that. The participant will learn to integrate regular writing into their life and learn the results. 4:30pm - 7pm. Registration: \$60. Instructor: Mary Leslie. For more information 337-550-1281.

Oct. 27-31-The 65th Annual Louisiana Yambilee Festival. Opelousas. Yambilee Fairgrounds, 1939 W. Landry St. A true Louisiana tradition! Thurs. is Family Night. Live music, food, rides & a parade will be featured during this festival weekend. Fri. Sweet Potato show. Grand Louisiyam Parade Sun. at 1PM. Admission: Fri-Sun.-\$5. (337) 948-8848 or www.yambilee.com

Oct. 28-Poetry/Literary Readings & Open Mic. Grand Coteau. Featuring Janice Eaton Kilby (young adult fiction) & Joseph Butts (jazz music). (337) 662-1032 or <http://casaazul.homestead.com/>

Oct. 29-Kevin Naquin & the Ossun Playboys (Cajun). Opelousas. Farmers Market Pavilion, Vine & Landry Streets. Begins at 5:30pm with cooking demos for sweet potato. Live music 6-8:30PM. Free. No ice chests please. Refreshments sold. (337) 948-6263 or www.cityofopelousas.com.

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Nov. 4-6 - 3rd Annual Festival of Words. Grand Coteau, Sunset & Arnaudville Event includes Creative Writing Workshops, Literary Readings, Drive-By Poetry and Student Poetry Contest. Featured Authors: 2010 Louisiana Poet Laureate Darrell Bourque, Toby Daspit, Eclectic Truth Poetry Slam Team, Kendra Hamilton & Olympia Vernon. Open to the public. Donations appreciated. (337) 662-1032 or <http://festivalofwords.homestead.com/>.

Nov. 5-7-The 18th Annual Holy Ghost Creole Bazaar and Festival. Opelousas. Holy Ghost Catholic Church, 788 N. Union St. Great Creole cooking, raffle drawing, game booths, Gospel Choir concert, Zydeco music! Friday 10AM-12PM & Zydeco music 8PM-12AM; Saturday 10AM-3PM-BBQ Chicken & Pork Steak Dinners; 11AM-8PM-Pork Backbone Stew Dinners; Sunday 9AM-3PM-BBQ Chicken & Pork Steak Dinners, Backbone Stew Dinners 11AM-8PM. Parade-Sun at 1PM from Court to Union St. Free. (337) 942-2732.

Nov. 5-7 - 12th Annual Step-N-Strut Trail Ride. Opelousas. Evangeline Downs, 2235 Creswell Lane Ext. Louisiana's Super Ride! **Fri**-Free gumbo & music by Kevin & the Zydeco Masters; Terry & the Bad Boys **Sat**-2PM Spinning horse contest & DJ music by Boogie Brotha & DJ Richie Rich; Great live music starting at 3PM including J.J. Callier & the Zydeco Knockouts, Nooney & the Zydeco Floaters, Same Ole 2 Step, Brian Jack & the Zydeco Gamblers, Patrick Henry, Cupid & August Heat, J. Paul Jr. & the Zydeco Nu Breedz, & Lil' Nate & the Zydeco Big Timers; **Sun**-11AM ride begins with DJ music by Breadman; Horse Racing @ Half-Way Point, Pacing Horse, Quarter Horse, Single Footing Horse. Live music starting at 2PM by Chris Ardoin & Nu Step & Keith Frank & the Soileau Zydeco Band. Plenty of security! (337) 739-7944/351-6491.

Nov. 5-Opelousas *Vendredi en Francais* (French Friday). Opelousas. Municipal Plaza Lot, 105 N. Main St. Join the City of Opelousas as it celebrates *Louisiana Main to Main, A Cultural Road Show*. Music by Horace Trahan & the New Ossun Express & Geno Delafosse & French

Rockin' Boogie, Plenty of authentic Cajun and Creole foods as well as an Art Walk. Event features a Perfectly Seasoned (Cajun and Creole Cook-off). 6pm-11pm. 337-948-5227.

Nov. 6-Main Street Memories-Remembering World War II.Eunice. Downtown on Park Avenue and at the Jean Lafitte Prairie Acadian Cultural Center. Join the City of Eunice as it celebrates *Louisiana Main to Main, A Cultural Road Show*, 7AM-until, Garage Sale downtown at 7am, Farmer's Market, Arts & Crafts at 10am. Lyn Fontenot's Prehistoric Indican Art at the Jean Lafitte Acadian Cultural Center, CFMA Museum, Eunice Depot Museum & Nutcracker Museum all open. Liberty Theatre show (6PM). Sponsored by Eunice Main Street Program. (337) 457-7389.

Nov. 6-The Temptations Review featuring Deniis Edwards. Opelousas. Evangeline Downs Event Center. 2235 Creswell Lane Ext. Doors open at 7:30pm. Show starts at 8pm. (337) 594-3000 or www.evangelinedowns.com.

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Nov. 11-LSUE Performing Arts Fall Series presents *Farouche: a Celtic/Cajun Band*. Eunice. LSUE Health Tech. Auditorium, LSUE Dr. Celtic Circuit performers from Lafayette, perform an exciting blend of Celtic-Cajun music with bagpipes, flutes, fiddle, guitar, percussion, vocals and much more!. 6:30PM. Tickets may be purchased at the door. Adults-\$3 & Students & children under 12 are free. (337) 457-1510.

Nov. 11-18 & 18-20 at 7pm and Nov. 14 & 21 at 2pm-The Opelousas Little Theatre presents *The Lion in Winter*. Opelousas. Delta Grand Theatre, downtown Opelousas, 120 S. Market St. A comedic look at the lives of the world's most dysfunctional royal family at a Christmas Court in the year 1183. \$10 tickets at the door or at Sebastien-Dupre Jewelry. (337) 942-6506 or 351-2591.

Nov. 11-14-The 25th Annual Cracklin Festival. Port Barre. Veterans Memorial Park on Park St. Family night on Thurs, carnival rides, games, great live music, a parade at 10AM Sat. & the best cracklins around! Adults \$5 & Children (10 & under)-Thur. 5-10PM; Fri. 5:30PM-12AM; Sat. 10AM-12AM; Sun. 10AM-6PM-2PM-Cook-Off. No ice chests/glass containers. (337) 585-6673 or www.portbarreacklinfestival.com.

Nov. 12-Opelousas Fall Music & Market featuring Chubby Carrier & the Bayou Swamp Band (Zydeco). Opelousas. Farmers Market Pavilion, Vine & Landry Streets. Begins at 5:30pm with cooking demos for purple hull peas. Live music from 6-8:30PM.

Free. No ice chests please. Refreshments sold. (337) 948-6263 or www.cityofopelousas.com

Nov. 13-Archival Workshop: Organizing Family Papers: Building Blocks to Local History. Opelousas. Opelousas General Hospital-South Campus, 3983 I-49 Service Road. A basic archival workshop open to the public, geneologists and local history buffs. Presenter: Gerald F. Patout, Jr. Director, LeDoux Library, LSU Eunice. Sponsored by the Imperial Genealogical & Historical Society and the Archival Training Consortium. Registration Required. (337) 550-1380.

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Nov. 27-Le Grand Noel. Grand Coteau. Shops along Hwy. 93. The quaint shops of Historic Grand Coteau will open their doors with refreshments, special offerings & horse/carriage rides for the Christmas season. 5-8PM. Free. Contact (337) 662-1032.

Nov. 30-Film: TBA. Grand Coteau. Casa Azul, 232 M.L. King Dr.(337)662-1032 or <http://casaazul.homestead.com>.

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Dec. 2-3-Christmas at Coteau-Holiday Boutique. Grand Coteau. Academy of the Sacred Heart, 1821 Academy Rd. Preview Party opens the festivities on Thursday night from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Great food, shopping and a live auction. The Holiday Market will open Friday, December 3rd from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Includes a Gourmet Breakfast at 9:00 a.m. & a Gourmet Luncheon, featuring the talents of Chef John Folse and White Oak Plantation, reserved seating available at 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m will sell out quickly so get your tickets early. Admission Fee. (337) 662-5275.

Dec. 3-Le Vieux Village's 9th Annual Christmas Lighting. Opelousas. 828 E. Landry St. Enjoy this premiere lighting event that attracts all ages. Enjoy Christmas music, carols sung by a choir, shop with local merchants, refreshments & a horse-drawn buggy ride! Don't forget Santa!! 5-8:30PM. Free. Lights are on every evening thru Dec. (337) 948-5227.

Dec. 4-The 6th Annual Le Feu et l'Eau (Fire & Water) Art Festival. Arnaudville. Downtown. Join the town at La Jonction for demos, food, art & music in support of this growing artists' community.Sat-11AM-11PM. (337) 523-5832/www.fireandwater.homestead.com.

Dec. 4, 11, 18-"Rendez-Vous des Cajuns" Live Radio and TV Show. Eunice. Liberty Theater, 200 W. Park Ave. Cajun & Zydeco bands perform live in a Cajun-style "Grand Ole Opry" show from 6-7:30 PM. Dec. 4 & 18-Bands TBA. Dec. 11 - Annual Cajun Christmas Show with the Jambalaya Cajun Band. Adults \$5, under 12 \$3. (337) 457-7389 or www.eunice-la.com.

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Dec. 9-Poetry and Literary Readings. Grand Coteau. Featuring Maureen Little and Gary Brown. (337) 662-1032 or <http://casaazul.homestead.com/ReadingsEvents.html>.

Dec. 9 & 10-Eunice Community Concert Band & Choir Winter Concert. Eunice. Liberty Theater, 200 W. Park Ave. ECCBC offers an evening of Christmas music for the entire family! Featuring the community concert band and choir, the community children's choir, this event is sure to put everyone in the holiday spirit! Show time 7PM. Art exhibition by the Fine Arts Council of Eunice (FACE). Adults \$5 & \$2 children under 12. (337) 457-1776/www.eccbc.org.

Dec. 10 & 11-Christmas Along the Bayou. Washington. Main Street area. Fri.-Parade at 7pm along Main St. Sat. at 6pm-House decorating contest, concert & fireworks on the fairgrounds.(337)8263626.

Dec. 31-Country Music Concert with Tracy Lawrence. Opelousas. Evangeline Downs Event Center. 2235 Creswell Lane Ext. Doors open at 8:30pm. Show starts at 9pm. (337) 594-3000 or www.evangelinedowns.com.

NOTE: We are not responsible for any changes in events listed on this calendar, please call to confirm with local sponsors. To receive newsletter via email, please call (337) 948-8004.

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